LOUDOUN COUNTY VIRGINIA

Loudoun County Continuum of Care

Information about the Local Application for the HUD CoC Program Supplemental Funding Opportunity to Address Unsheltered and Rural Homelessness

OVERVIEW

The Loudoun County Continuum of Care (CoC) is pleased to announce that nonprofit organizations can now apply for local grant funding through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) **CoC Program Supplemental Funding Opportunity to Address Unsheltered and Rural Homelessness.** This funding will address unsheltered homelessness and homeless encampments, including funds set aside specifically to address homelessness in rural communities. This funding will enhance communities' capacity to address unsheltered homelessness humanely and effectively by connecting vulnerable individuals and families to housing, healthcare, and supportive services.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

This HUD grant provides new funds to serve highly vulnerable individuals and families with histories of unsheltered homelessness. The awarded organization agrees to accept referrals through the Coordinated Entry System and to provide services to quickly rehouse homeless individuals, families, persons fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, and youth while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused by homelessness; to promote access to and effective utilization of mainstream programs by homeless individuals and families; and to optimize self-sufficiency among those experiencing homelessness.

The Loudoun County CoC will be submitting a Consolidated Application and encourages nonprofit organizations serving Loudoun County residents to consider being part of this application.

Total funding through this special competition is approximately \$322,000,000. The Grant term is three years. The maximum award amount for Loudoun County CoC is:

Funding Opportunity	Eligible Project Types	Target Population
Unsheltered Homeless Set Aside \$ 481,038 total	 PH-PSH PH-RRH Supportive Service Only Joint TH and PH-RRH HMIS 	Individuals/Families experiencing unsheltered homelessness
Rural Set Aside* Not Eligible	n/a	Unsheltered Homelessness and Individuals and Families Experiencing Homelessness with Severe Service Needs in Rural Areas.

^{*} Only for projects that serve 'rural areas' as defined in the NOFO.



ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS AND PROJECTS

The local application process is open to all nonprofit organizations serving Loudoun County residents. Eligible applicants must:

- Be an active member of the Loudoun Continuum of Care (CoC);
- Be an organization that is a nonprofit that is current on Form 990 filings with the Internal Revenue Service:-
- Create an account in HUD's portal *e-snaps*; and
- Established standard accounting practices including internal controls, fiscal management accounting procedures, cost allocation plans, and reliable tracking methods for organizational and program budgets by revenue sources and expenses.

Nonprofit organizations are encouraged to apply whether currently receiving project funding or proposing new projects having never received HUD funding. Eligible programs for this funding include:

- 1. CoC planning projects;
- 2. Unified Funding Agency (UFA) Costs projects;
- 3. Permanent Housing (Permanent Supportive Housing (PH-PSH) and Rapid Re-Housing (PH-RRH);
- 4. Supportive Service Only projects;
- 5. Joint TH and PH-RRH projects; and
- 6. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS).

INSTRUCTIONAL GUIDELINES

Nonprofit organizations interested in applying should review the following resources regarding the local application process and applying as a collaborative applicant:

- Review the <u>Detailed Instructions for Collaborative Applicants</u>;
- Learn how to Access the CoC Program Project Application in e-snaps
- Learn how to Create a profile in *e-snaps*
- Learn about the Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing (HEARTH) Act: HUD 24 CFR 578: <u>HUD HEARTH Act</u>

HOW TO APPLY

Organizations within and outside the county are encouraged to apply. Those interested in applying should be members of the Loudoun County Continuum of Care.

Step 1: Submit a "Letter of Intent to Apply" to the CoC Lead by emailing the letter to corinne.wyss@loudoun.gov no later than 5:00 pm on Monday, August 15, 2022.

Step 2: Complete and **save, but do not submit**, the application in HUD's electronic grant management system, *e-snaps*, and email a PDF format to corinne.wyss@loudoun.gov no later than **5:00 pm on August 29, 2022. Do NOT click "submit" a CoC Project Application in e-snaps.**

Loudoun County's CoC (VA-602) is responsible for conducting a local funding competition to evaluate, select, and rank projects as part of the CoC Consolidated Application. All project applicants will be notified in writing whether or not their applications were accepted for inclusion in the CoC Consolidated Application.



IMPORTANT DATES

Important dates related to the local competition can be found below:

• Monday, August 15, 2022

Letter of Intent to Apply – must be submitted by *5:00 pm on Monday, August 15, 2022*. The letter must include the project type and target population. Organizations interested in applying must submit a "Letter of Intent to Apply" to the CoC Lead by emailing the letter to corinne.wyss@loudoun.gov

Monday, August 29, 2022

All project applications must be completed and *only saved* into *e-snaps* no later than *5:00 pm on August 29, 2022. Do NOT click "submit."*

Monday, September 12, 2022

Project submissions are reviewed, scored, and ranked to determine eligibility.

• Tuesday, September 20, 2022

Organizations will be notified whether the project application has been accepted, rejected, or reduced by the CoC.

Thursday, October 20, 2021 – CONSOLIDATED APPLICATION DUE

The final collaborative project application must be submitted by CoC in *e-snaps* no later than **8:00 pm on Thursday, October 20, 2022.**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

To sign-up for HUD's mailing lists for additional information, click on the links below:

- <u>SNAPS Competition Announcements</u> for competition-related messages
- <u>SNAPS Program Information</u> general information regarding SNAPS programs.

To become a member of the Loudoun County CoC, please complete and return the membership form that can be accessed by clicking here.

Questions about the CoC Supplemental NOFO to Address Unsheltered and Rural Homelessness must be submitted to the following HUD.gov email addresses:

- SpecialCoCNOFO@hud.gov for questions about the NOFO, program competition, and applications.
- <u>e-snaps@hud.gov</u> for questions about *e-snaps* technical issues.

General HUD information can be found here.